

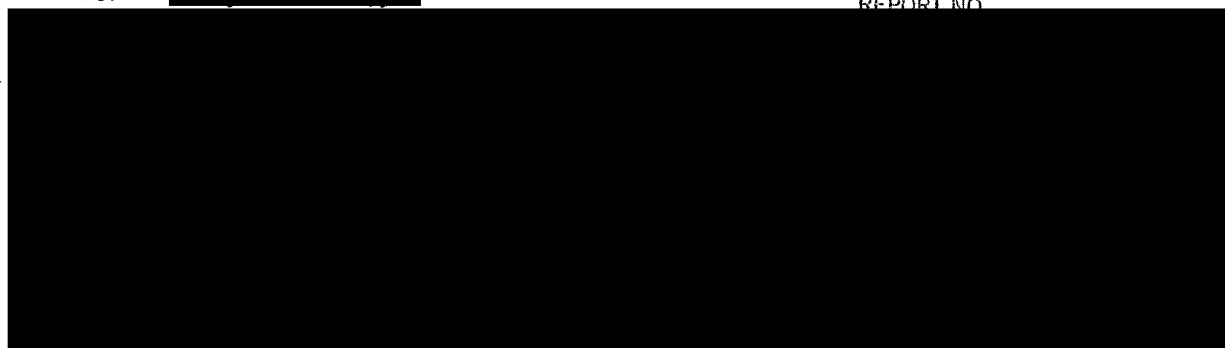
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1. Port facilities in Rijeka are so taxed by the volume of shipping that vessels often wait two or three days before being able to dock. The main causes are: the poor loading and unloading equipment, the lack of cranes, and the indifference or intentional slow-down on the part of the stevedores. Port authorities estimate that these conditions cause a monthly loss of between 30,000 and 50,000 man hours.
2. The delay is particularly irritating to foreign shippers and maritime agents as it increases their costs considerably. In spite of repeated complaints, port officials seem to be incapable of rectifying any of the above conditions.

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